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TAGS: SREF, VN, AS  
SUBJ: VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

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1. GOA ANNOUNCED ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, TWO BOATS WITH 23 VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ABOARD HAD ARRIVED IN AUSTRALIAN WATERS OFF THE FAR NORTH COAST AND BEEN TAKEN IN TOW SHORTLY AFTERWARDS BY A ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY PATROL BOAT. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THEY WILL BE TAKEN INTO DARWIN, PUT INTO QUARANTINE WITH THE 90 REFUGEES WHO ARRIVED SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE (REFTEL) AND FLOWN TO MIGRANT HOSTELS LATER.

2. THE FIRST GROUP OF 90 REFUGEES HAS APPARENTLY BEEN GIVEN FULL MEDICAL CLEARANCE, AND REFUGEES WERE TO LEAVE OVER THE WEEKEND FOR MIGRANT HOSTELS IN BRISBANE AND ADELAIDE.

3. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, BASED ON DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION BRIEFINGS, THE LATEST ARRIVALS BRING THE TOTAL  
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OF SOUTH VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN AUSTRALIA ARRIVING ON BOATS TO 391.  
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